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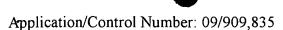
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The reply filed on January 22, 2003, is not fully responsive to the prior Office action. See attached explanation. Applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH from the mailing date of this notice in which to make the reply fully responsive.

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The reply filed on January 22, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The objection to the title in the previous Office Action (Paper No. 5) has not been addressed. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel E Valencia whose telephone number is (703)-305-4399. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:30-6:00.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703)-308-0956.

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